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HEW-FUNDED PROJECT TO SUPPLY FIVE MONTANA LIBRARIES
WITH SIX CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

MISSOULA--

State Librarian Alma Jacobs, Helena, and Dr. Patricia P. Douglas, director of the University of Montana Division of Extension and Continuing Education, Missoula, have announced that six continuing educational programs will be available to the public through five libraries beginning July 1.

The programs, which are being funded under a \$49,378 grant from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will be distributed to the Lincoln County Free Library, Libby; City-County Library of Glasgow; Great Falls Public Library; Glacier County Library, Cut Bank, and the Montana State Prison Library, Deer Lodge.

According to Douglas, project director for the grant, the purpose of the programs is to provide, through cooperation among Montana's educational institutions and local libraries, continuous educational programming in various communities. The programs will utilize diverse media such as video or audio cassettes, slides and correspondence study.

A brief outline of the six programs follows.

"Ghost Towns of Montana: A History," a program that will make available a useful body of material for interested groups and satisfy a growing interest in the ghost towns of the state. The program, which will include field trips, is being prepared by Montana Tech, Butte, and is also being offered for credit.

"Environmental Problems in Montana," also prepared by Montana Tech, will promote public awareness of different environmental problems and solutions in Montana. The program will include slide cassette, home study and workshop presentations and college credit will be available.

"Topics on Contemporary Montana Government," a program dealing with the new State Constitution and the structure of the state's administration. The program, designed at the University of Montana in Missoula, may be expanded to include two additional topics during the 1975 fiscal year.

"Development of a Continuing Education Program in Engineering," prepared at Montana State University, Bozeman, covers the design of steel structures. The program will consist of six slide lectures, and home study programs will be available for those who wish to receive credit.

"Plant Disease Control in Home Gardens and Landscapes," a program designed to introduce the concepts and nature of plant diseases through a multi-media approach. Prepared at MSU, the study will offer a certificate of completion to anyone who utilizes the full program.

"Exercise Series," a program prepared by the University of Montana and a Missoula cable television station, and offering a 10-week exercise variety program for use throughout Montana. Credit will be available through UM for the 30 half-hour shows.

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